



# Release Notes

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## 1 TASK REQUIREMENTS

### Task Client

General Services Administration (GSA)  
Federal Acquisition Service (FAS)  
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### Introduction

The following Release Notes describe content to be delivered through enhancements to the GWAC Management Module software.

### Purpose

The main purpose for this release is to update functionality in the RBA to implement enhanced functionality to the GWAC MM which will be accomplished through the following Change Requests:

#### GWAC:

- CHG44774: Attachment Field On Contractor Section of Supporting Order Data Form
- CHG59493: Estimated Ultimate Completion Date Field
- CHG59492: Contractor Order Closed Out Notification Field
- CHG59486: Allow Excel Date Format When Uploading Purchase Data
- CHG64660: GWAC Email Modifications



Upon accessing a particular Supporting Order Data entry, contractors now have the ability to “view”-detailed Supporting Order Data information. Additionally, contractors are now able to add/remove attachments.

Supporting Order Data			
Order Number : Test Order			
Order Description : Cargo and Billing Software Support Services			
Contractor : George Contractor			
Contractor Company : Test Company			
Contract Number : GS09K99BHD0003			
Contract Family : FAS ANSWER GWAC			
Functional Area :			
Predominant Contract Type : Firm Fixed Price			
OCO : George OCO			
Period of Performance : 05/01/2008 - 07/31/2008			
Estimated Ultimate Completion Date :			
Active : No			
Initial Award Date : 04/27/2008			
Initial Obligated/Funded Amount : \$1100			
Total Obligated/Funded Amount : \$2,930,329.57			
Purchased Data Amount : \$500			
Closed Out : No			
Small Business Subcontracting Data			
Company Name	DUNS Number	Exempt?	Total Amount Subcontracted
No Small Business Subcontracting Data Found.			
Computed Total \$0.00			
Receiving Agency : ARMY (EXCEPT COE CIVIL PROGRAM FINANCE)			
Receiving Bureau : ARMY, DEPT. OF THE (EXCEPT CORPS OF ENGINEERS CIVIL PROGRAM FINANCING)			
Place of Performance			
Street Address 1 : 200 Stovall St.			
Street Address 2 :			
City : Alexandria			
State : Virginia			
Zip : 22332-5000			
Country : United States			
Total Estimated Value \$ : 2272320.61			
Issued using GSA assisted services : No			
Performance-based Contract : Yes			
Fair Opportunity properly conducted : Yes			
Number of Bids : 1			
Attachments :			
Please attach your Statement of Work (SOW), Statement of Objectives (SOO), or Performance Work Statement (PWS) here in addition to all other attachments.			
Add /Remove Attachments			

**Figure 2: Supporting Order Data w/ Add/Remove Button Highlighted (Contractor View)**

By clicking on the “Add/Remove Attachments” Button (as displayed in figure 2), the contractor user will be routed to an attachment form where they will have the capability to upload up to 6 files at a time for the order.

Contractors are able to upload the following file types: excel, word document, adobe pdf, and plain text. Clicking the “Return to Form” button automatically uploads the specified attachments.

**ATTACHMENTS**

[Return To Form](#)

Please attach your applicable requirements documentation. You may upload one or more documents of the following document types: Microsoft Word (doc), Microsoft Excel (xls), Converted Adobe (pdf), Plain Text (txt), etc.

**Order #:** TEST ORDER

**Attachment #1:**  [Browse...](#)  
**Description:**

**Attachment #2:**  [Browse...](#)  
**Description:**

**Attachment #3:**  [Browse...](#)  
**Description:**

**Attachment #4:**  [Browse...](#)  
**Description:**

**Attachment #5:**  [Browse...](#)  
**Description:**

**Attachment #6:**  [Browse...](#)  
**Description:**

**PLEASE NOTE:** If uploading a file with the same filename that is already attached, we recommend that you change the name of the new file by adding a version number and then attaching it. Make sure to omit special characters in your file names (underscores, dashes, #, @, etc.) as other users may have trouble downloading your file.

**Mark attachments for deletion**

Delete?	View File	File Name	Description
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		test.txt	

[Return To Form](#)

**Figure 3: Attachments Screen (Contractor View)**

A delete check box has been provided on each uploaded attachment to allow contractor users the ability to remove attachments that have been added either by themselves or by other contractors having access to the same order.

This action can be performed by selecting the delete checkbox for a given attachment and clicking on the “Return to Form” button. Contractors will only be displayed attachments they are allowed to remove, therefore prohibiting them from removing attachments added by OCOs or PCOs.

## 2.2 CHG59493 – Estimated Ultimate Completion Date Field

This change enables contractors to populate a new “Estimated Ultimate Completion Date” field on GWAC orders. This field is located on the Order Data form between the “Period of Performance” and “Award Date” fields. This field can also be viewed on the order’s Supporting Order Data form.

**Order Data**

This information pertains to an awarded task order as reported by the Prime GWAC Industry Partner Awardee.

Order Number: TEST ORDER

Order Description: Cargo and Billing Software Support Services

Contractor Company: TEST COMPANY

Contract Number: TEST

Contract Family: FAS ANSWER GWAC

Functional Area: No Functional Area

Predominant Contract Type: Firm Fixed Price

OCO Name: GEORGE OCO

Period of Performance: 05/01/2006 07/31/2008

**Estimated Ultimate Completion Date:**

Award Date: 04/27/2006

Initial Obligated/Funded Amount: \$956302.61

Closed Out? ☐ Yes

**Figure 4: Estimated Ultimate Completion Date Field (Contractor View)**

This date field can only be populated when the order is in edit mode, and can be manually entered by the user (in MM/DD/YYYY format), or populated via the calendar date picker located to the right of the field

The “Estimated Ultimate Completion Date” field is a required field and must be populated to save either an existing or new order.

### 2.3 CHG59492 – Contractor Order Closed Out Notification Field

This change provides contractors with the ability to populate a new “Closed Out” field on GWAC orders. The “Closed Out” field is located on the Order Data form after the “Initial Obligated/Funded Amount” field. This field can also be viewed on the order’s Supporting Order Data form.

**Order Data**

This information pertains to an awarded task order as reported by the Prime GWAC Industry Partner Awardee.

Order Number: TEST ORDER

Order Description: Cargo and Billing Software Support Services

Contractor Company: TEST COMPANY

Contract Number: 100

Contract Family: FASANSWERGWAC

Functional Area: No Functional Area

Predominant Contract Type: Firm Fixed Price

OCO Name: GEORGE OCO

Period of Performance: 05/01/2006 07/31/2008

Estimated Ultimate Completion Date:

Award Date: 04/27/2006

Initial Obligated/Funded Amount: \$95,6302.61

Closed Out? ☐ Yes

Figure 5: Closed Out Field (Contractor View)

The “Closed Out” field allows contractors to indicate whether an order has been completed. It also allows contractors to specify when the order was completed.

Closed Out? ☒ Yes

Closed Out Date:

Figure 6: Closed Date Field

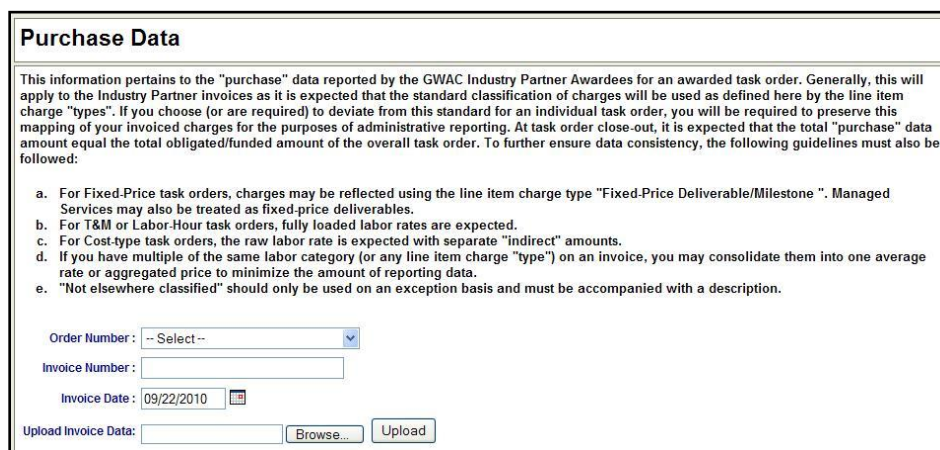
The “Closed Out Date” field will become mandatory upon checking “Yes” in the “Closed Out” check box.

Contractor users will not have the ability to save a closed out order if a corresponding “Closed Out Date” has not been set.

The order's associated PCO(s), based on the orders Contract Family, will receive an automated email when the order's "Closed Out" status has been changed. The textual representation for this email is provided in the Appendix for email modifications.

## 2.4 CHG59486 – Excel Date Format When Uploading Purchase Data

This change enables contractors the ability to upload purchase data with excel-formatted dates. Previously, the system disallowed excel-files that contained dates in an excel format.



**Purchase Data**

This information pertains to the "purchase" data reported by the GWAC Industry Partner Awardees for an awarded task order. Generally, this will apply to the Industry Partner invoices as it is expected that the standard classification of charges will be used as defined here by the line item charge "types". If you choose (or are required) to deviate from this standard for an individual task order, you will be required to preserve this mapping of your invoiced charges for the purposes of administrative reporting. At task order close-out, it is expected that the total "purchase" data amount equal the total obligated/funded amount of the overall task order. To further ensure data consistency, the following guidelines must also be followed:

- For Fixed-Price task orders, charges may be reflected using the line item charge type "Fixed-Price Deliverable/Milestone ". Managed Services may also be treated as fixed-price deliverables.
- For T&M or Labor-Hour task orders, fully loaded labor rates are expected.
- For Cost-type task orders, the raw labor rate is expected with separate "indirect" amounts.
- If you have multiple of the same labor category (or any line item charge "type") on an invoice, you may consolidate them into one average rate or aggregated price to minimize the amount of reporting data.
- "Not elsewhere classified" should only be used on an exception basis and must be accompanied with a description.

Order Number: -- Select --

Invoice Number:

Invoice Date: 09/22/2010

Upload Invoice Data: Browse... Upload

**Figure 7: Upload Purchase Data Functionality (No User Interface Changes)**

The following excel date formats are now accepted.

- January 1, 2010
- 1/1/2010
- Friday, January 01, 2010
- 1/1/10
- 01/01/10
- 01-01-2010
- 1-Jan-10
- 01-Jan-10
- 1/1/10 12:00 AM
- 1/1/10 0:00
- 01-Jan-2010

## 2.5 CHG64660 – GWAC Email Modifications

Several GWAC emails have been discontinued as a part of this change. The following OCO-directed emails have been deprecated:

- "FYI: GWAC Management Module Order Mod Created"
- "FYI: GWAC Management Module DPA Request Approved"
- "ACTION: GWAC Management Module Order Package Created"

Additionally, 2 existing emails have been modified so that they are sent to a specific PCO based on the order's contract family.

All impacted emails have been listed in the Appendix for email modifications.

### **3 FOLLOW-ON SUPPORT**

If assistance is needed with the GWAC MM, users are encouraged to call 1 (877) 243-2889, option 1.

## 4 APPENDIX – EMAIL MODIFICATIONS

### 4.1 Order Closed Out Email

Subject: FYI: Closed Date Change for task order xxxxx

This e-mail is to notify the GSA Office of GWAC Programs that XYZ Company has changed the Closed Date for task order xxxxx awarded against the FAS Alliant GWAC from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_.

### 4.2 Emails to Disable

**Actionable email notification sent to an OCO and CC'd to their peers (if selected) that request the provision of supporting order data.**

Subject: " ACTION: GWAC Management Module Order Package Created"

According to our records, you have awarded the following task order under the GSA @CONTRACT\_FAMILY@ Government-Wide Acquisition Contract (GWAC):

Order Number: @ORDER\_NUMBER@

Awarded To: @CONTRACTOR\_COMPANY@

As per the terms of your Delegation of Procurement Authority (DPA), you are required to provide additional supporting information regarding your task order(s) as described in Attachment A of the DPA.

You may do this directly by using the link below to access the appropriate form (you may be required to log in first)@SUPPORTING\_ORDER\_DATA\_URL@ or you may also access the same form by logging into your account at <http://itss.gsa.gov> and clicking on the appropriate "action item" in your "inbox." If you are not the Ordering Contracting Officer (OCO), the form may also be used to indicate this by requesting that the record be reassigned.

If you've designated peers within the system to handle this function on your behalf, those users have been CC'd on this email and may also use the above link to access the appropriate form.

We are working hard to minimize the impact of these administrative reporting requirements to you. Your continued participation is greatly appreciated as we optimize our processes and system capabilities. If you have any questions regarding this request, please contact us using the information on our website at <http://www.gsa.gov/gwacs>.

The Office of GWAC Programs is a key component of the Integrated Technology Services (ITS) portfolio within the GSA Federal Acquisition Service (FAS) organization. To learn more about FAS, please visit <http://www.gsa.gov/fas>.

**Informational email notification sent to an OCO and CC'd to their peers (if selected) informing them that a contractor has reported an order mod and the supporting order data may need to be updated.**

Subject: "FYI: GWAC Management Module Order Mod Created"

According to our records, you have issued a modification for the following task order under the GSA @CONTRACT\_FAMILY@ Government-Wide Acquisition Contract (GWAC):

Order Number: @ORDER\_NUMBER@

Awarded To: @CONTRACTOR\_COMPANY@

This notification complements the e-mail you received when this task order was initially reported/updated with you as the Ordering Contracting Officer (OCO) to remind you to provide additional supporting information as per the terms of your Delegation of Procurement Authority (DPA).

This notification is provided as an FYI in case any of that supporting information has changed as part of the modification. If so, please update our records. You can access the appropriate form directly by using the link below (you may be required to log in first)

@EXISTING\_SUPPORTING\_ORDER\_DATA\_URL@

If you are no longer the Ordering Contracting Officer (OCO), the form may also be used to indicate this by requesting that the record be reassigned.

If you've designated peers within the system to handle this function on your behalf, those users have been carbon copied on this email and may also use the above link to access the appropriate form.

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**Informational email notification with an attached (read-only) DPA certificate sent to an OCO once a PCO has approved their delegation request.**

Subject: "FYI: GWAC Management Module DPA Request Approved"

This email is to notify you that your request for Delegation of Procurement Authority (DPA) has been approved! This means that you are now authorized to begin issuing task orders against the GSA @CONTRACT\_FAMILY@ Government-Wide Acquisition Contract (GWAC) in accordance with the terms and conditions of the DPA.

A copy of the DPA has been included as an attachment to this e-mail for your records.

If you have any questions about this DPA or about our program in general, please contact us using the information on our website at <http://www.gsa.gov/gwacs>.

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### **4.3 Emails Where the Recipient List Will be Changed**

**Actionable email notification sent to PCOs when an agency user has submitted a delegation request.**

Subject: ACTION: GWAC Management Module DPA Request Notice for Contract Family "XXXXXX"

This email is to notify the GSA Office of GWAC Programs that XXXXXX from XXXXXX has submitted a request for Delegation of Procurement Authority (DPA) for the XXXXXX GWAC.

Before the request can be approved, you must complete the following actions.

1. Obtain a copy of their Contracting Officer's Warrant.
2. Ensure that they have received the requisite training.

To approve this request, log in to your account at <http://itss.gsa.gov> and click on the appropriate "action item" in your "inbox."

**Notification sent to PCOs when an award order is entered into the system with an OCO that has not been registered in the GWAC Post-Award Management Module.**

Subject: FYI: GWAC Management Module Order Package Created - Without Contract Delegation

This e-mail is to notify the GSA Office of GWAC Programs that XXXXXX has reported that XXXXXX is the Ordering Contracting Officer

(OCO) for task order XXXXXX awarded on XXXXXX against the XXXXXX GWAC who does not appear to have an approved Delegation of Procurement Authority (DPA) for that contract. Please investigate this discrepancy and take appropriate action as necessary.